

**BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
WASHINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES – JANUARY 15, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey was held in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall at 8:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Woykowski, Cioni, Oakley, Van Deursen, Turner – Present

Also Present: John Corica, Borough Manager
Richard Cushing, Esq. Municipal Attorney
Kristine Blanchard, RMC Borough Clerk

Mayor Van Deursen led everyone in the flag salute.

Mayor Van Deursen read the following Statement into the Record:

“The requirements of the ‘Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, Chapter 231 have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Star Gazette and posted on the Bulletin Board of Borough Hall stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law.

COUNCIL APPEARANCE

None

MINUTES:

Mayor Van Deursen entertained additions or corrections to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 18, 2007, Executive Session December 18, 2007, Re-Organization Meeting of January 2, 2008, and Executive Session January 2, 2008.

Hearing no comments it was moved by Higgins, seconded by Turner that the minutes of December 18, 2007 and January 2, 2008 be approved.

Roll Call: Higgins, Turner, Woykowski, Oakley, Cioni, Van Deursen. – Yes
Housel – Yes December 18, 2007, Abstain January 2, 2008

Motion Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The following communications were entered into the Record:

1. NJLM Re: Important Information from DLGS
2. NJLM Re: Federal Update
3. NJLM Re: Gypsy Moth Suppression Program
4. NJLM Re: Various Topics
5. NJLM Re: Legislative Alert
6. NJLM Re: Information from the DLGS

Mayor Van Deursen entertained a motion to acknowledge, receive and file the communications.

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Cioni that the communications be acknowledged, received and filed.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

AUDIENCE:

Motion made by Oakley, seconded by Higgins to close the public portion of the meeting.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

ORDINANCES:

None

REPORTS:

It was moved by Housel, seconded by Turner that the that the Council acknowledge, receive and file the Zoning Code/Enforcement Report, Highway Department Overtime/Overview Reports, Borough Clerks Report – December 2007, Recreation Treasurer Report – November 2007, Collector Treasurer Report, and the Issues and Details Report.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Oakley, Cioni, Van Deursen, Turner and Woykowski.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Redevelopment Committee: No Report

DPW Garage: No Report

Sewer Committee: No Report

Streets Committee: No Report

Finance Committee: No Report

Shared Services Committee: No Report

Senior Services: No Report

Website Committee: No Report

Curfew Committee: No Report

Pedophile Ordinance Committee: No Report

Bid – Mayor Van Deursen stated that the Bid Board is in the process of working on a strategic plan. A meeting is scheduled to discuss the park benches and waste receptacles for the downtown. A retreat is also scheduled for next week; a report will be presented to the governing body.

VOUCHERS AND CLAIMS

Mayor Van Deursen entertained questions or additions to the vouchers and claims for payment that were not previously addressed before the meeting.

Hearing no comments or questions the vouchers and claims were approved for payment in the amount of \$1,452,648.44.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Woykowski, Turner, Oakley, Van Deursen, and Cioni.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Washington Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary Application for Special ABC Permit for the Firemen's Ball February 2, 2008.

Motion was made by Housel, seconded by Turner to approve the Application for Special ABC Permit.

Roll Call: Housel, Turner, Cioni, Oakley, Higgins, Van Deursen – Yes
Woykowski - Abstain

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0
Abstain: 1

Resolution 27-2008 Void and Replace Check

Resolution 27-2008 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Oakley, Turner, Cioni, Van Deursen, and Woykowski.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION #27-2008

A RESOLUTION TO VOID AND REPLACE A CHECK

WHEREAS, check #050036 was written 11/07/06 on Washington Borough's Operating Fund # 8102360230 in the amount of \$40.00 and made payable to Erin Verdon, 12 Lyn Gale Court, Washington, NJ 07882; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer's office was made aware that this check has been judged to be stale-dated, and a written request has been received for a replacement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Borough Treasurer is authorized to void and replace check #050036.

Resolution 28-2008 Sewer Refund

Resolution 28-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Roll Call: Housel, Oakley, Cioni, Woykowski, Turner, Higgins, and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #28-2008

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING OF
AN OVERPAYMENT OF THE BOROUGH'S
SEWER SERVICE CHARGE**

WHEREAS, according to the Treasurer's records, there is an overpayment showing on the following property; and

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>PROPERTY OWNER/ PROPERTY LOCATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED</u>
95/9	13 Broad, LLC 11-13 Broad Street	\$ 135.00

The former owner made an overpayment during the closing procedures on the above property location. A refund of \$135.00 should be mailed to:

13 Broad, LLC
Attn: Carla Matos
PO Box 92
Bayonne, NJ 07002

WHEREAS, the Borough Treasurer's office has received a written request that the above amount be refunded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Borough Treasurer is authorized to refund the above overpayment amount.

Resolution 29-2008 Approval of Application to the Local Finance Board

Resolution 29-2008 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Turner and adopted.

Councilman Higgins asked for an explanation of the application that will be presented to the Local Finance Board. The Borough Auditor stated that this application is for the capital projects. The application is to obtain approval for a non-conforming pay down schedule. Councilman Higgins stated that according to this document, the Borough is paying three million dollars in interest. Manager Corica stated yes that is correct. Manager Corica also stated that as the principle goes down the interest will go down as well.

Roll Call: Turner, Cioni, Higgins, Oakley, Woykowski, Housel, and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

RESOLUTION OF THE **BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON**
MAKING APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. **40A:2-26(e)**

WHEREAS, THE **Borough of Washington** desires to make application to the Local Finance Board for its review and/or approval of a proposed **nonconforming maturity schedule relating to the issuance of bonds for various general improvements.**

WHEREAS, the **Borough of Washington** believes:

- (a) It is in the public interest to accomplish such purpose;
- (b) said purpose or improvements are for the health, wealth, convenience or betterment of the inhabitants of the local unit or units;
- (c) the amounts to be expended for said purpose or improvements are not unreasonable or exorbitant;
- (d) the proposal is an efficient and feasible means of providing services for the needs of the inhabitants of the local unit or units and will not create an undue financial burden to be placed upon the local unit or units;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the **Mayor and Common Council of the Borough of Washington** as follows:

Section 1. The application to the Local Finance Board is hereby approved, and the **Manager, Chief Financial Officer, Auditor,** Bond Counsel and financial advisor, along with other representatives of the **Borough,** are hereby authorized to prepare such application and to represent the **Borough** in matters pertaining thereto.

Section 2. The Clerk of the **Borough** is hereby directed to prepare and file a copy of the proposed **nonconforming maturity schedule** with the Local Finance Board as part of such application.

Section 3. The Local Finance Board is hereby respectfully requested to consider such application and to record its findings, recommendations and/or approvals as provided by the applicable New Jersey Statute.

Resolution 30-2008 Amend Temporary Sewer Budget

Resolution 30-2008 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Roll Call: Turner, Housel, Cioni, Woykowski, Higgins, Oakley, and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION # 30-2008
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, TO AMEND THE
2008 TEMPORARY SEWER BUDGET

WHEREAS, a temporary sewer budget was approved by Resolution 2-2008; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2008 budget, temporary appropriations may be made for the purpose and amount required within the first 30 days of the beginning of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-19 provides that payments for interest and debt redemption charges are excluded from the 26.25% limit on the temporary budget;

WHEREAS, payment for principal and interest is due to the Infrastructure Loan Trust on February 1st.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the temporary sewer budget for the year 2008 is hereby amended to add the following appropriations:

Environmental Trust/Fund Principal and Interest	\$124,000
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Resolution 31-2008 To Appoint Hatch Mott MacDonald as a Professional Service

Resolution 31-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Turner and adopted.

Manager Corica explained to Council that this is the balance of major projects that this firm will be completing for the Borough. There may be some small bills pending as this firm is still involved in the downtown streetscape and the borough garage.

Mayor Van Deursen emphasized that the Professional Service is not to exceed \$33,200. Manager Corica stated that this had been discussed in the meeting held today.

Councilman Turner suggested adding a timeline to the Resolution authorizing the Professional Service. Council concurred. A separate bullet will be added stating that the completed specs and design will be delivered to the Borough Manager on or before February 15, 2008.

Council discussed the cost of the design of Belvidere Ave and Grand Ave. The cost of designing the second half of Belvidere Ave is \$24,000.00 and \$9,200.00 for Grand Ave. Council discussed whether or not Belvidere Ave was already designed considering it had gone out to bid twice already. Manager Corica stated he was not sure how much of the design work was done on the second half of Belvidere Avenue; however he will confirm this with the engineering firm.

RESOLUTION # 31-2008

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A HATCH MOTT MacDONALD AS A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE WITHOUT SEEKING COMPETITIVE BIDS.

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional engineering design services to complete the design and bid documents for the reconstruction of Belvidere Avenue and Grand Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et. seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, Hatch Mott MacDonald of Clinton, New Jersey has agreed to perform professional engineering services, as outlined in their proposals dated 15 November 2007 and dated 28 December 2007 in an amount not to exceed \$33,200; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided by, Hatch Mott Mac Donald constitutes professional services that need not be bid pursuant to the Public Contract Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et. seq.).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Hatch Mott MacDonald to provide design engineering services per the proposal submitted on a5 November 2007 and 28 December 2007 and annexed hereto in an amount not to exceed \$33,200;
2. That said contract is awarded without competitive bidding as professional services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-5; and
3. Funding is available in the 2008 temporary capital budget;
4. Notification of the contract award shall be printed in the Star Gazette.
5. That an executed copy of the contract between the parties be on file with the Office of the Clerk and be available for public inspection in accordance with the law.
6. The completed specs and design will be delivered to the Borough Manager on or before February 15, 2008.

Roll Call: Turner, Housel, Cioni, Woykowski, Oakley, and Van Deursen. - Yes
Higgins – No

Resolution 32-2008 Redemption of Lien

Resolution 32-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Cioni and adopted.

Roll Call: Housel, Cioni, Turner, Higgins, Oakley, Woykowski, and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION # 32-2008
A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE
As per N.J.S.A.54:5

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT, WHEREAS, lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on December 27, 2006 to Park Finance LLC, PO Box 109, Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927, in the amount of \$1,590.59 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2005 in the name of Phillips, Eric V and Jennifer D, as supposed owners, and in said assessment and sale were described as 36 Taylor Street, Block 031 Lot 002, which sale was evidenced by Certificate #411-06; and

WHEREAS, I, Kay F. Stasyshan, the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 12-24-07 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, Eric Phillips, claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by Park Finance, LLC, by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$4,495.94, which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #411-06.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 15th day of January, 2008 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to Park Finance, LLC, PO Box 109, Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927 in the amount of \$4,495.94.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 031 Lot 002 from the tax office records.

Resolution 33-2008 Refund of Tax Overpayment

Resolution 33-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Cioni and adopted.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Turner, Oakley, Cioni, Van Deursen, and Woykowski.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION #33-2008
RESOLUTION TO REFUND VETERAN DEDUCTION ALLOWED
As per N.J.S.A. 54:4-8.40 Et seq

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor and Tax Collector has allowed the following Veterans' Deduction and wishes to refund this deduction; and

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>NAME OF OWNER/ PROPERTY LOCATION</u>	<u>EXPLANATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
071	011	Mercado, Nelson and Jo Ann 107 Wilson Terrace Washington, NJ 07882	Veteran's Deduction Allowed in 2007	250.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the amount of \$250.00 to Nelson Mercado.

Resolution 34-2008 To Appoint H2M Group as Professional Service

Resolution 34-2008 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Cioni and adopted.

Councilman Housel asked if Gardner's Court is included in the study. Manager Corica indicated that yes it was. Councilman Turner noted that Pohatcong is willing to lend the Borough a sewer camera. He will pass the information along to Manager Corica.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Turner, Oakley, Cioni, Van Deursen, and Woykowski.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION # 34-2007
A RESOLUTION APPOINTING H2M GROUP AS A PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE WITHOUT SEEKING COMPETITIVE BIDS.

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional engineering services to review the sanitary sewer rehabilitation project; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et. seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, H2M Group of Totowa, New Jersey has agreed to perform professional engineering services, as outlined in their proposal to Review Phase II Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project Files dated 7 January 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$5,900; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided by, H2M Group constitutes professional services that need not be bid pursuant to the Public Contract Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et. seq.).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with H2M Group to Review Phase II Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project Files per the proposal submitted on 7 January 2008 and annexed hereto in an amount not to exceed \$5,900;
2. That said contract is awarded without competitive bidding as professional services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-5; and
3. A certification of funds by the Chief Financial Officer is attached hereto;
4. Notification of the contract award shall be printed in the Star Gazette.
5. That an executed copy of the contract between the parties be on file with the Office of the Clerk and be available for public inspection in accordance with the law.

Resolution 35-2008 Amend Temporary Budget

Resolution 35-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Higgins and adopted.

Roll Call: Turner, Oakley, Higgins, Woykowski, Cioni, Housel, and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION # 35-2008
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, TO AMEND THE
2008 TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, a temporary budget was approved by Resolution 1-2008; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2008 budget, temporary appropriations may be made for the purpose and amount required within the first 30 days of the beginning of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that appropriations made in the temporary budget will not be needed prior to April 1st;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that there is a need for appropriations not included in the temporary budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the temporary budget for the year 2008 is hereby amended as follows:

Appropriations from Police and Firemen's Retirement	\$58,141
Appropriations from Public Employee's Retirement	\$5,871
Appropriations to Consolidated Police & Firemen's Pension	\$8,712
Appropriations to Insurance Commercial Package	\$55,300

Resolution 36-2008 Transfer of Reserve Appropriation

Resolution 36-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Higgins and adopted.

Councilman Higgins stated that there seems to be some confusion regarding the Trust Fund for the Recreation Commission. He asked if the interest earned in the Trust Fund was to be turned over to the current account. The Borough Auditor stated that yes, the interest does go back to the Borough in the current account. This is standard practice. He stated that he will need to do some research before allowing the Recreation Commission to keep the interest earned.

Mayor Van Deursen stated that the Treasurer of the Recreation Commission requested a meeting to discuss the accounting for the Trust Fund. Manager Corica stated that a meeting will be arranged with the auditor, the finance department, and the Recreation Treasurer.

Roll Call: Higgins, Housel, Turner, Van Deursen, Oakley, Cioni, and Woykowski.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0

Resolution 37-2008 LukOil Contract Approval

Resolution 37-2008 was moved on a motion made by Turner, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Manager Corica explained that this is being done in order to comply with the public contracts law. The Borough will expend more than the allowable amount of \$21,500.00 and therefore would have had to have a contract for the purchase of gasoline. The Borough requested bids twice and received no bidders on both occasions. Having done that, that Borough can now award the contract to LukOil.

RESOLUTION # 37-2008
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY.

WHEREAS, the Police, Fire, First Aid and Public Works departments need to have 24 hour a day access to gasoline and diesel fuels; and

WHEREAS, bids were advertised to be opened on 26 November 2007 and on 17 December 2007 and no bids were submitted on either date; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(3) provides that when bids have been advertised on two occasions and no bids were received that the governing body may award a contract by “resolution by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the authorized membership of the governing body”; and

WHEREAS, on LukOil has 24 hour access to gasoline and diesel fuel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that LukOil is hereby awarded a contract for gasoline and diesel fuel to extent of funds available in the 2008 municipal budget appropriated for the purpose.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Turner, Woykowski, Oakley, Cioni, and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Resolution 38-2008 Traffic Safety Grant

Resolution 38-2008 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Cioni and adopted.

RESOLUTION # 38-2008
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, TO APPROVE
APPLICATION FOR A NJDHTS GRANT

WHEREAS, funds are available from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety in the amount of \$4,000 under the “Obey the Signs or Pay the Fines” program; and

WHEREAS, the grant would fund salary and wages for police enforcement to target aggressive driving along Rt. 31, Rt. 57, Belvidere Avenue and Broad Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Chief of Police is hereby authorized to submit a Project Grant Application for Highway Safety to the NJDHTS under the Obey the Signs or Pay the Fines program.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Cioni, Turner, Woykowski, Oakley, and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution 39-2008 Award of Edmunds and Associates Contract

Resolution 39-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Cioni and adopted.

Councilman Cioni clarified that this allowed the purchase of the Edmunds software system and asked if the user support fees were \$7,000.00. Manager Corica indicated yes the support feeds were \$7,000.00 a year and included backups, training, updates, and technical support.

RESOLUTION #39-2008
A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT UNDER THE
PROVISIONS OF A STATE CONTRACT WITHOUT SEEKING
COMPETITIVE BIDS.

WHEREAS, the Borough is in need of a financial accounting, animal licensing and tax

collection program; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-12) permits a municipality to purchase goods and services without competitive bids under a contract issued by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Edmunds & Associates of Northfield, New Jersey has submitted a proposal dated 10 January 2008 to provide financial accounting, animal licensing and tax collection program under state contract number A81201 in the amount of \$29,594; and

WHEREAS, there is sufficient money appropriated in the temporary capital budget

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that a contract be awarded to Edmunds & Associates to purchase a financial accounting, animal licensing and tax collection program per their proposal dated 10 January 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$29,594.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Cioni, Van Deursen, Oakley, Turner, and Woykowski.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Resolution 40-2008 To Appoint a Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator

Resolution 40-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Roll Call: Housel, Cioni, Turner, Woykowski, Van Deursen, Oakley. – Yes
Higgins – Abstain

RESOLUTION # 40- 2008

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A DEPUTY MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

WHEREAS, the New Jersey law provides that each municipality shall have a Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator as prescribed by App. A;9-40.1 ; and

WHEREAS, the services provided by the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator are professional services that are vital to the health, safety and welfare of the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor, and acknowledged by the Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Mayor hereby appoints Frank LeClair as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator for the Borough of Washington for the un-expired term of his predecessor, effective January 15, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009.

At this time Attorney Cushing administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Frank LeClair.

Resolution 42-2008 – Planning Board Appointment.

Resolution 42-2008 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Higgins and adopted.

Roll Call: Housel, Cioni, Higgins, Turner, Oakley, Woykowski, and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

RECAP

COUNCIL REMARKS

Councilman Housel – No remarks

Councilman Cioni – No remarks

Councilwoman Woykowski noted that the Council meetings have been very good.

Councilman Turner agreed with Councilwoman Woykowski.

Councilman Higgins stated that an assemblyman is trying to pass a bill requiring municipalities to have a referendum on all public bonding. Manager Corica asked the Borough Clerk to obtain a copy of the bill and distribute to Council.

Councilwoman Oakley – No Remarks

Mayor Van Deursen – No Remarks

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Higgins motioned to enter executive session; this motion was seconded by Councilman Turner.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Resolution 41-2008 Executive Session

RESOLUTION 41-2008

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The public shall be excluded from the remaining portion of this meeting.**
- 2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:**

Litigation
Contract Negotiations

Council returned to open session at 9:30 p.m.

Hearing no further business to come before Council, it was moved by Higgins, seconded by Turner that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Ayes: 7, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Mayor Marianne Van Deursen

Kristine Blanchard, RMC Borough Clerk